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**Vaccination Clinic Resumes at Okkodo High School January 7-9;
VAPPC Prioritizes 60-74 Age Group for Vaccinations**

The Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS), in partnership with the Office of the Governor, Mayors' Council of Guam (MCOG), Guam Department of Labor (GDOL), Guam Fire Department (GFD), Guam Police Department (GPD), University of Guam (UOG) School of Nursing and Health Sciences, and the Serve Guam Commission - AmeriCorps Guam Program, will resume its COVID-19 vaccination clinic for those individuals under Phase 1a (healthcare personnel) who are due for their second dose and Phase 1c (individuals 60 years and older) to receive Dose One. These vaccinations will occur on Thursday, January 7, through Saturday, January 9, 2021 at Okkodo High School in Dededo. The school cafeteria and gymnasium have been set up as a temporary vaccination clinic.

DPHSS will begin administering the second dose during the three-day vaccination clinic **to those who received their first dose between December 17 and 19, 2020**. Those who are due for their second dose **are reminded to bring their immunization card to the vaccination clinic** so it may be properly documented.

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC – OKKODO HIGH SCHOOL, DEDEDO			
DATE	TIME	PHASE	CRITERIA
Thursday, January 7	9AM – 12PM	1a	Healthcare workers who received dose one on December 17, 2020
	12PM – 3PM	1c	Individuals 60 years and older (Dose One)
Friday, January 8	9AM – 12PM	1a	Healthcare workers who received dose one on December 18, 2020
	12PM – 3PM	1c	Individuals 60 years and older (Dose One)
Saturday, January 9	9AM – 12PM	1a	Healthcare workers who received dose one on December 19, 2020
	12PM – 3PM	1c	Individuals 60 years and older (Dose One)

Pre-screening Eligibility Vaccinations

In order to take the COVID-19 vaccine, you must meet the following pre-screening eligibility criteria*:

- Must not be currently infected with COVID-19, or previously infected within the last 14 days
- Must not have received any other vaccine, such as the flu shot, in the last 14 days

A pre-screening eligibility handout is attached.

*Please note: If this is your first time receiving the COVID-19 vaccine, please make sure you have never taken other COVID-19 vaccine products.

V-Safe Vaccine Symptom Monitoring

Individuals who have received the COVID-19 vaccine are encouraged to register for the tool called v-safe, offered by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). V-safe is a smartphone-based tool that uses text messaging and web surveys to provide personalized health check-ins after you receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Through v-safe, you can quickly tell CDC if you have any side effects after getting the COVID-19 vaccine. Depending on your answers, someone from CDC may call to check on you. V-safe will remind you to get your second COVID-19 vaccine dose if you need one. Sign up for v-safe with your smartphone's browser at <https://vsafe.cdc.gov>.

VAPPC Prioritizes 60-74 Age Group for Vaccinations

After meeting on Monday, January 4, 2021, the Vaccine and Antiviral Prioritization Policy Committee (VAPPC) has agreed to modify the Phase 1c category to lower the age threshold for adults to 60 to 74 years of age. The previously recommended age group was from 65 to 74.

The VAPPC recognizes that age is a key factor in COVID-19 susceptibility and agrees that many of those who have fallen severely ill or have died due to COVID-19 complications are over the age of 60.

In line with this recommendation, DPHSS will begin immunizing adults 60 to 74 years of age during the three-day vaccination clinic at Okkodo High School beginning January 7, 2021.

During the VAPPC's fourth virtual meeting, the committee was also informed of Guam's January vaccine allocation. The DPHSS Immunization Program has been authorized to order 7,800 Pfizer vaccines and 7,200 of the Moderna vaccines for a combined total of 15,000 doses which will fully immunize 7,500 individuals.

DPHSS has partnered with the five Guam Renal Care Centers to train its nurses and staff on the proper procedures for administering the Moderna vaccines to dialysis patients.

GBHWC Crisis Hotline

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline that is available 24/7 at (671) 647-8833/4. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed or are needing to talk to someone, GBHWC has experienced providers available and ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit dphss.guam.gov or guamrecovery.com. For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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